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COMPOUNDS,
PHARMACEUTICAL AND
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CONTAINING THEM AND USES
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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in complete response to the Official Action mailed on
March 28, 2001 (Paper No. 15).

Please amend the above-cited application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims 56-59:

56 (New). A method for the treatment of a dermatological condition which is
selected from the group consisting of: a keratinization disorder which affects differentiation
and proliferation; a keratinization disorder which is not associated with differentiation and
proliferation; a keratinization disorder having an inflammatory and/or immunoallergic